# The Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners Board Meeting Minutes July 16, 2010

The regular meeting of the Alabama State Board of Social Work Examiners was held on July 16, 2010, at 100 North Union Street, Suite 736 in Montgomery, Alabama with chairman and secretary present. Board chairman, Teresa Young, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

There was a quorum of members present including:

District V member Teresa Young - Board Chair

District I member Sharon Argiro - Board Vice Chair

District III member Leisa Askew-Board Secretary

District IV member Paula Johnson

District II member Janet Rawls

District VII member James Ware

District VI member Mandy Andrews

Executive Director Brenda Holden was also present. Unless otherwise specified, all votes were taken by a show of hands. Proper notice for the meeting was provided to the Secretary of State and posted on the Secretary of State website. Ms. Young welcomed the guests, Ms. Ataska Winsett and Tammy Robbins to the Board meeting and introduced the Board members.

## Approval of Minutes

A copy of the minutes from the May 7, 2010 Board Meeting was distributed and reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Paula Johnson as they stand. Janet Rawls seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

A copy of the minutes from the Public Hearing on May 7, 2010 was distributed and reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Paula Johnson as they stand. Janet Rawls seconded the motion. The Public Hearing minutes were approved unanimously.

#### Old Board Business:

a. Mrs. Holden reported that there are 5 open cases. Two cases are being dismissed, one is waiting on a hearing schedule, one is waiting approval of consent and one is being reviewed.

- b. The Board reviewed and approved the list of new social work licensees.
- c. The Board reviewed and discussed the Disciplinary Agreement between Rebecca Parris and the investigative committee. Sharon Argiro made a motion to accept the agreement. Mandy Andrews seconded the motion and the motion was approved by affirmative votes of Leisa Askew, Janet Rawls, Mandy Andrews, James Ware and Sharon Argiro. Paula Johnson abstained from voting. Teresa Young opposed.

#### New Board Business:

- a. Teresa Young stated that she spoke to the Tennessee Valley Chapter to Huntsville of NASW on July 9, 2010. Brenda Holden was nominated and appointed to the ASWB Chair Administration Committee.
- b. The Board reviewed the application for Trudy A. Terry to sit for the LBSW exam. Janet Rawls made a motion for the Board to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss the good name and character of Ms. Terry. James Ware seconded the motion. The motion for executive session was approved by affirmative votes by Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Paula Johnson, Janet Rawls, Sharon Argiro, and Leisa Askew. Ms. Young called the Board into executive session at 9:40 a. m. Leisa Askew made a motion to come out of executive session at 9:57 a. m. Paula Johnson seconded the motion. The motion for executive session to end was approved by affirmative votes by Teresa Young, Mandy Andrews, James Ware, Paula Johnson, Janet Rawls, Sharon Argiro, and Leisa Askew. The Board has requested additional information to be provided by Ms. Terry.
- c. The Board reviewed and discussed Melissa Nash's application for reciprocity. Paula Johnson made a motion to deny Ms. Nash's appeal for reciprocity per the Alabama Administrative State Code. Janet Rawls seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Teresa Young, Janet Rawls, Leisa Askew, Paula Johnson and Mandy Andrews. Sharon Argiro and James Ware abstained from the vote.
- d. Ms. Cheryl N. Thomas applied for reciprocity at the LCSW level. The Board reviewed and discussed. James Ware made a motion for the Board to approve the LGSW with passing of the clinical exam and when she completes the 24 months supervision she will be allowed to

apply for the LCSW with proof of supervision. Mandy seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Teresa Johnson, Janet Rawls, Sharon Argiro and Leisa Askew.

## PIP Applications:

- a. Shalunda Allen-Sherrod was approved for Social Casework, Clinical Social Work and Social Work Administration. She was denied Community Organization and Social Work Research.
- b. Emma S. Cosby was approved for Clinical Social Work.
- c. Felicia J. McCleery was approved for Social Casework, Clinical Social Work and Social Work Administration. She was denied Community Organization.
- d. Lisa King Roberts was approved fore Social Casework, Clinical Social Work and Social Work Administration.
- e. Tyler Reed Simmons was approved for Social Casework.
- f. Carol P. Smith was approved for Clinical Social Work.
- g. John E. Pinion was approved to add Clinical Social Work.

## Other Requests:

- a. The Board reviewed and discussed INR's request to add "Arthritis, Backache & Bone Disease" to the list of acceptable programs. Paula Johnson made a motion to deny request due to the fact that the agenda does not reflect a psychosocial aspect of Social Work. James Ware seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Teresa Johnson, Janet Rawls, Sharon Argiro and Leisa Askew.
- b. The Board reviewed and discussed INR's application to renew CE Provider Contract. Janet Rawls made a motion to approve INR application. Sharon Argiro seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Teresa Johnson, Janet Rawls, Sharon Argiro and Leisa Askew
- c. The Board reviewed and discussed INR request for "Women's Health Update" Janet Rawls made a motion to deny request. James Ware seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of

Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Teresa Johnson, Janet Rawls, and Leisa Askew. Sharon Argiro opposed.

10:30 a.m. Teresa Young called a 5 minute break

10:43 a.m. Teresa Young called meeting back into order

- e. The Board reviewed and discussed Gail Norstrom's request for CE approval for home study. Janet Rawls made a motion to approve 20 hours of the home study for CE. Mandy Andrews seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Teresa Johnson, Janet Rawls, Leisa Askew and Sharon Argiro.
- f. The Board reviewed and discussed Tracey Mckay's request for waiver to renew her licence. Janet Rawls made a motion to waive the remaining hours. Paula Johnson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Teresa Johnson, Janet Rawls, and Leisa Askew. Sharon Argiro.
- g. The Board reviewed and discussed Joel Nowak's request for supervision review. Janet Rawls made a motion that Mr. Nowak can continue to complete his supervision. James Ware seconded the motion. The motion was approved by affirmative votes of Teresa Young, James Ware, Mandy Andrews, Teresa Johnson, Janet Rawls, Leisa Askew and Sharon Argiro
- h. The Board reviewed and discussed Adam Marion's submission of consent form. The Board approved the consent form.
- 7. The next Board meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2010 in the Board Conference Room. Teresa Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Janet Rawls seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Board Chair Board Secretary

Teresa Young, LCSW Leisa Askew, LBSW